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Somehow I should like to see this American territory occupied by those whose blood is the blood that ran through the veins of our ancestors.
One of the things that impresses me most is the need of diversified industries. It is impossible to make the larger progress, basing your hopes on one industry. —Former Vice President Fairbanks, before the Commercial Club.

THE PRESIDENT AND HAWAII.

The assurance given by Mr. Walker, the Advertiser's Washington correspondent, that Mr. Taft is not hostile to Hawaii, may be accepted as official. Mr. Walker, when he sends information like that, gets it from inside the White House where, for many years, he has been a welcome and frequent visitor. That the President, when Secretary of War, viewed the local activity against his Philippine bill with a bitterness foreign to his amiable nature, is well known; and that he would, as Chief Executive, lay a strong restraining hand upon anything like government by plantations here, has become an open secret; but that he does not intend to withhold anything he can give to increase the safeguards of honest administration in Hawaii or to add to the freedom and happiness of the people, is the assurance we find in Mr. Walker's words and in other data which have been gathered from well-informed sources.

President Taft will make no mistake in trusting Hawaii. The measures which have irritated him did not and do not find the support of the majority of people here; and at the time of their appearance they received widespread local hostility, in which this paper joined. Mr. Taft and his policies are patriotically supported in Hawaii and he need have no fear, as long as the quality of central administration is not impaired, that this Territory will pursue any un-American courses.

It would contribute to the good feeling all around if Secretary Ballinger, following Secretary Garfield's example, would visit Hawaii and get acquainted with the situation. We wish he might come with the Congressional party next summer. He would find that there is little left of the old feudal ideas here and that the one thing the people most eagerly ask for is Federal encouragement, particularly in land matters, for "development," as President Roosevelt put it, "along traditional American lines."

THE JUDICIAL SELECTIONS.

The appointment to judicial posts of men acceptable to Governor Frear is the best news Hawaii has had from Washington since March 4th. It shows that the stories floating about that the Governor is persona non grata to the President and that he may be superseded and that there is to be a government of carpetbaggers here, are mere fancies of the disgruntled; and that, so far as this Territory is concerned the administration will take no radical courses.

While the nominee for second Federal Judge, Mr. George W. Woodruff of Pennsylvania, is an outsider, he is not of the carpetbagging type. He was urged upon the Governor by that staunch friend of Hawaii, former Secretary Garfield; and the Governor was given a chance to say whether or not such a nomination would be acceptable to him. It was acceptable, after Justice Ballou had taken himself out of the race, and Judge Woodruff will meet no unfriendly spirit when he arrives.

The appointment of Antonio Perry to his old place on the Supreme bench repairs an act of injustice to him unintentionally done by President Roosevelt. He ought to have had reappointment when his first term expired; and this irrespective of the fact that his successor was a man of the same high type of professional and personal character. But all's well that ends well.

The appointment of Judge Whitney to the Circuit bench is simply ideal. His character, his learning, the qualities of his mind and his service on the district bench all commend him to the good will of the responsible public and to that of his reputable brethren of the bar.

It is a time for general congratulation among those who want good government continued in Hawaii.

The majority of the grand jury found against Cathcart, but a minority stood out and it was finally decided to regard his assault upon a Chinese witness in an important case, as the act of an "obstreperous drunken person" and let it go at that. The evidence was all against Cathcart and was given by Hawaiians as well as Chinese, but Cathcart, despite his newspaper admission that he "may have kicked a Chinaman," denied having struck Goo Wan Hoy at all. The jury seems to have thought that perhaps he was in no condition to remember. The serious phase of the matter is that it constitutes a denial of justice to Goo Wan Hoy who may now feel justified in preparing to defend himself from further irresponsible violence on the part of the City and County Attorney by other means than those which are supposed to be provided by law.

The fact that Uncle Sam has fortified a volcano here, is attracting much attention in eastern prints. That is practically what has been done at Diamond Head; for, though the mortar battery is on the outside base of the crater, it is controlled from within, where various military works are yet to be located. Indeed, as time goes on, so much defensive work may be made of old Leahi as to turn it into a sort of Gibraltar with a military name of its own. Next to the Rock it would be the biggest and strongest fort in the world.

It is not reported whether the presence of four of his wives with the ex-Sultan at Salouika is a concession to his domestic tastes or a part of the sentence.

And all that time wasted in unveiling a photograph of President Taft! Is the picture going to be taken down now and one of Senator Perkins substituted?

It is hoped that ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid has seen a good trust company about his will. His heirs may have use for it soon.

Quinn joins the Democrats.—Star
This must be a relief to the Republicans.

FREAR GETS THE JUDGES HE WAS ON RECORD FOR

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ment in Washington. He was appointed in March, 1907, and was assigned to the Interior Department.

George W. Woodruff was born in Dimock, Pa. on February 22, 1864, and received his early training at the Mansfield State Normal School. He received the degree of A. B. from Yale in 1889 and LL. B. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1895. On August 4, 1898, he married Miss Maud Donald McBride of Philadelphia. He has been in the Federal Service continually since 1903, first as the U. S. Forest Service from 1903 till 1906 and was then made Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department. He was the acting Secretary of the Interior from June 15 till October 1, 1907.

THE GOVERNOR ON WOODRUFF.

"I think we have reason to be gratified at the appointment of such a man as Mr. Woodruff to the bench in Hawaii," said Governor Frear last evening. "He is a man of recognized ability in Washington as well as one of the highest character. His appointment means that the office is not regarded as one for patronage. While it is desirable that appointees be residents in general, there must, of necessity, be exceptions, as for instance in the case of officers in the scientific departments of the government; and there may, under special circumstances, be occasional exceptions in other offices, at least those which are strictly Federal in nature."

"I myself am very well satisfied with his appointment and know many others are also. I have no doubt that time will make this appointment satisfactory to all."

Woodruff has been Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department, having charge of the varied and extensive law work of that department. Last year the President appointed him a member of the National Conservation Commission and of the section of that commission which had to do with lands, of which section he was secretary and as such had much to do with organizing and supervising its work.

"He is a comparatively young man, having been graduated from Yale in 1889, where he was a member of the crew and of the football team."

HOUSE

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He moved the adoption of the resolution in a speech of appreciation of the work of the Speaker.
Kawewehi seconded the resolution, stating rather sadly that the House had been run very economically.
The resolution was adopted unanimously.

A Presentation.

Douthitt, in a speech eulogistic of the Speaker and of the House, presented on behalf of the members to the Speaker a handsome silver cigarette case and match box, on which the Hawaiian coat-of-arms was chased.

Douthitt credited the Speaker with much of the credit for the efficiency and economy of the work done during the session. In making the presentation, he did so, he said, with the hope that all would meet again on the floor of the House.

Nawahine's Last Attempt.

Nawahine asked for a reconsideration of the vote on his manuhua resolution to pay extra to the House officers.

Coney said the House had no right to make presents with the people's money. He believed the press would comment most adversely on any such action, justly so. If the members wanted to pay the officers extra, let them dig down in their pockets and not give the people's money away.

Nawahine talked again and Kaniho seconded the motion to resurrect the resolution. Kawewehi and others talked a half hour on this question, Castro concluding the debate by stating that the House was not able nor willing to make donations to anybody.

The Last Act.

At 11:05 the House resumed its session to receive notice from the Secretary that the Governor had signed the two county bills, turning over police court fines and costs and license fees to the counties. In addition he had signed the Senate bill forbidding unauthorized drilling and the pupule bill. Notice was also given of the numbering of the appropriation bill, making it a law. This placed it beyond any reconsiderations on the part of the Legislature.

Notification Committee.

Kalelopu presented a resolution to appoint a committee of five to notify the Governor that the House stood ready to adjourn sine die. The resolution passing, the Speaker named Kalelopu, Rice, Kaniho, Alfonso and Like on the committee.

The House took a recess and there was a call for music from the Kona nightingales. Kawewehi led off with a hula.

At 11:20 a committee from the Senate dropped in to tell the House everything was in order for the final dropping of the curtain, and Kalelopu, for the House committee, reported that the Senate and Governor had been formally notified.

Speaker's Thanks.

Speaker Holstein thanked the members for the presentation made him, saying:

"I wish to thank you for the token you have presented to me this evening and to tell you that I shall take it home and treasure it with fond recollections of the sixty days we have spent together. I have tried to do my duty and am glad that that effort has been recognized by my fellow Representatives. When the record of this House is completed I believe the people will be satisfied with the work of their Representatives. I hope that Providence will be good to you, will guide you in your future efforts and that you will be here again to represent the people at the next session of the Legislature. My parting words to you are: May God bless you."

The chaplain prayed for the House for the last time, and, on motion of Rice, at 11:25 the House of Representatives of the Legislature of 1909 adjourned sine die.

The last act of the House, prior to the adjournment, was the singing of a verse of "Hawai Pono," feelingly rendered, and "Aloha Oe," after the motion to adjourn. Then came general cheers for the Speaker and others.

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